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Another season. Another beginning. As the Society is ending its 80th year, it is also opening the doors to the 81st. While it is striving to maintain the quality of the past, it is looking forward to a future of expanding horizons and new programs.

Be sure to join us in our many activities. We need your participation and help in reaching our goals.

LED IN A PATH UNTRODDEN: THE LIFE OF JOSHUA EVANS (1713-1798)

Joshua Evans was a local farmer, Quaker minister, and an active member of the Haddonfield Friends Meeting. He apparently was a controversial and contentious figure in the Quaker community as well.

His strong opinions on many topics and his extensive religious travels are revealed in his journal, which was published in 1837, nearly forty years after his death.

Douglas Rauschenberger will explore what the journal and other sources tell us about the life of this interesting, yet virtually forgotten, figure of local history. More importantly, what does his life and "labours in the work of the ministry" tell us about Haddonfield and Quakerism in the late 18th century? And just as significantly, what is not mentioned in his journal?

Planning Board and the Activities Committee, he was appointed Borough Co-Historian in 1991. Doug is a recognized speaker on local historical topics.



Douglas B. Rauschenberger

Among the many honors and awards he has received are the American History Medal presented by the DAR in 1990, the "Haddonfield Citizen of the Year" given by the Jaycees, and the "Haddonfield Loves You" Award from the Business Association.

OUR SPEAKER

Douglas Rauschenberger is well-known in our community. The Director of the Haddonfield Public Library for almost fourteen years, he had earlier served as its Reference Librarian after receiving his Master's degree in Library Science from Drexel.

Doug has always been active in community affairs. He is a Past-President of the Historical Society and co-author of *Lost Haddonfield*, published by the Society in 1989. A member of the

Join us on Wednesday night, September 28 at 7:30 in Greenfield Hall, to hear the fascinating story of Joshua Evans and our town more than 200 years ago.



Please notice that our meeting has been changed from Sunday afternoon to Wednesday evening at 7:30 in response to members' requests. We hope this time will be more convenient for you.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The Summer of '94 has been full of surprises, rain, victories, rain, much planning, rain and learning for me. My personal goal this season was to learn to use our Mac computer in the Society office. Thanks to the gentle urging and patient teaching of Ed Reeves, I accomplished this goal and produced two letters soliciting members, as well as many lists of people volunteering to help our Society. Be prepared to hear from our committee chairs!

The fall promises to be full of wonderful events starting with an exhibit of teddy bears and other furry childhood creatures which will be mounted by Vivian Stauder. The exhibit is in conjunction with our Teddy Bear Tea Party to be held on October 8 and 9. Last year's Victorian Tea Party, by Lora King and Carolyn Woolley, was so popular that we are offering two opportunities to bring your favorite young person (and favorite bear) to Greenfield Hall for a memorable afternoon. Tickets are \$10 for a twosome of one adult and one child, \$5 for an additional adult, \$4 for an additional child. Teddy bears are free!

October 2 will find the Society open for tours sponsored by the Camden County Alliance of Historical Organizations. Their theme is "A Children's Sampler" and our teddy bear exhibit fits into this nicely. Many other historical sites will be open that day and your \$2 entrance fee entitles you to enter all on the tour. Commerce Bank is underwriting the cost of this day, but the \$2 fee goes to the Alliance anyway. This is a wonderful way to promote our Society and its activities.

Later in October, on the 21st and 22nd, the Haddon Fortnightly will be holding its annual Antique Show. In the spirit of cooperation, we will be open those two days for tours.

Halloween will **LOOM LARGE** at Greenfield Hall this year as one of our new members, Yvonne Carpenter, will guide us in producing a truly **SCARY** Haunted House aimed at attracting families. Our Haunted House will be held simultaneously with the Pumpkin Carving Contest sponsored by the Markheim Art Center on our grounds.

You will notice when you look at our calendar elsewhere in the *Bulletin* that our general membership meetings will be held on **Wednesdays** this year. This move is in response to many suggestions that Sundays are inconvenient for many people. Our Board meetings are also being held on Wednesdays, the first Wednesday of every month to be precise. We'd like to work toward the concept that **Wednesdays** belong to the Historical Society.

To that end our first Folk Art Workshop will be held on

Wednesday, September 14 at 7:30 P.M. at Greenfield Hall. We will be making cinnamon ornaments to distribute at the Teddy Bear Tea Party and to sell at the Holly Festival in December. Please call me at 428-0053 to let me know you'll come to learn a fun, easy craft and to help stock our store shelves. Just bring yourself; the ingredients will be provided.

Now for a personal note. My recovery from surgery has been rapid, successful, and complete. Thank you for the many good thoughts and prayers. I know they made the difference.

I'll see you Wednesdays this fall!

Deborah Mervine

FROM A PAST-PRESIDENT

Mary Carll, a dedicated Life Member of the Historical Society and president of our group in 1986-87, has lived in Florida for the past several years. That state, she says, "is still treating me well, but my roots will always be in Haddonfield and the remembrance of the wonderful years spent there".

In response to a request to reminisce about her year in office, Mary has written the following:

There has been much water under the bridge since I served as President of the Historical Society and it is gratifying to see the many changes that have taken place during that time. Just prior to my term, a planning committee had been set up under the guidance of Joe Hartel and the By-Laws were revised and future goals were set for the Society. I have always felt that my time in office was an "interim" period as we started to carry out some of those changes to strengthen the Society for the years to come. During my term, one significant accomplishment was that our membership list came "of age" and was put into the computer - helpful and necessary.

At that time our *Bulletin* was a much smaller paper and the format did not include the wealth of information and articles of the present publication. To those of us at a distance, the evolution of the *Bulletin* has been a great improvement and makes for a most interesting paper to receive. It is good to see many of the familiar names still reported as having an on-going service in the Society.

In the middle of the 80's the Woman's Committee was a strong organization and the cooperation and help of these women was a great supplement to the Society. It is good to read that it is once again starting to function with vitality. It is also interesting to note that more committees have been set up and are going well. Progress seems to be the word!

My years with the Society were great years. Since history played such an important part in forming the character of Haddonfield, our Society deserves the support and interest of all.

EDUCATION REPORT

One of the important outreaches of our Society is the educational program for local school children. In the 10-Year Plan adopted in 1990, *Vision 2000*, a stated objective is to continue to develop and implement, in close cooperation with the Haddonfield Public Schools, programs on local history for appropriate grade levels.

And that's what our Education Committee, chaired by Joe Haro, along with members Myra Kain, Kathy Tassini, Dianne Snodgrass, and Debby Troemner, has been doing. During the summer the group developed a pilot program for school children in our area in grades 3, 4, and 5 which will be coordinated by Kathy Tassini.

According to the plan, third grade classes will enjoy field trips to places such as the Friends School, the fire station, Borough Hall and to a tinsmith shop. Fourth grade students will concentrate on New Jersey. They will have activities at the Indian King Tavern, Greenfield Hall, as well as the library in the Mickle House. An architecture program, being developed by Joe Haro and Debby Troemner for the fifth grade, will take students on walking tours in various parts of the borough.

In order to make this important part of our Society a success, we need volunteers who are interested in becoming guides. These guides will be trained by Dianne Snodgrass to assist teachers in the various aspects of these enrichments programs. Please call Debby Troemner, our Guide Coordinator, at 235-1647 to make arrangements to become involved with the young people of our community in this exciting new agenda.



EXHIBITS

Teddy Bears are coming! They'll be visiting Greenfield Hall in time for Discovery Day and the annual Tea Parties.

Do you have a Teddy Bear or other cuddly animal which you'll be willing to lend to the Society? Your items will join the Society's for an exhibit which will open on Saturday, October 1, in time for those scheduled Society events. We'll need your articles at Greenfield Hall a week before in order to facilitate our arranging them.

We also plan to utilize other items of toys. A hobby horse or an old doll chair can make a wonderful display. If you have any of these or other suitable items which we'd be able to use during the month of October, please call Vivian Stauder at 428-2336.

October will be a really fun month.

THE CLOTHING COLLECTION

AT THE SOCIETY

The extreme heat this summer has made it impossible to work on the clothing collection at Greenfield Hall. Handling textiles is certainly much easier when the temperatures are somewhat lower. With this in mind, Mickey Mack is planning to organize a group of volunteers who will be willing to work one Saturday morning from 9 A.M. until noon during the months of October, November, January, February, March, and April to assist with the recording, photographing, and packing of our costume collection.

If you can write, type, vacuum, push the button on an auto-focus camera or simply walk up and down the stairs with boxes, we can use your help. Please call Mickey at 795-6823 to let her know when you can be there.

AT HOME

As many members know, we have beautiful cotton ladies' and children's dresses and blouses at Greenfield Hall. They have accumulated a considerable amount of dust over the years and must be washed and ironed before we can photograph them and store them in acid-free tissue paper. If you are unable to come to work at the Society but would like to assist in this project by working on a garment at home, we want to hear from you also. Mickey will be glad to take your call at the above number and will make arrangements for you to participate.

WE NEED BATHING SUITS

No, we're not planning to use them at the old swimming hole.

We still need suits from the 1930's through the 1980's in order to have our fashion show in the spring. So please search your old trunks (no pun intended) and other storage spaces for those wonderful bathing suits of days gone by.

Call Dianne Snodgrass at 428-6823 or Mickey Mack with your finds.

MEMORIAL GARDEN

The Memorial Garden proposed by Kirk Peterson in honor of Ferris King is about half of the way to its \$600 goal. Ferris was active in the Society as chairman of our Building and Grounds committee for many years. He was well-known for dressing in colonial costume and serving as a town crier during our Village Fairs.

To contribute to the Garden in his memory, send your checks to Greenfield Hall, 343 King's Highway East.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Society is eager to provide regular and more frequent access to Greenfield Hall for the public. We have increased the number of volunteer opportunities at the Society and are appealing to our members to get involved.

This fall a training course for Guides will be provided which will review the information about the Society and community history for our present Guides and offer an opportunity for new Guides to become involved. Included in the training will be a session on the Indian King to provide Bill Mason, the Indian King's Site Interpreter, with volunteer assistance when groups are expected. News about our School Education Program is included in this *Bulletin* and we stress the need for guides who will enjoy working with young people. No prior experience is necessary, just an enjoyment of history and sharing it with our visitors.

Last spring and this summer, two volunteers, Sheila Hawkes and Ed Norcross, manned the office on a regular weekly basis, providing valuable support for the Society. We hope to increase the number of days and hours that Greenfield Hall is open to the public and the telephone is answered by a "real person". If you are able to give a few hours on a weekly or every other week schedule, we will be happy to talk with you about this opportunity.

Perhaps you're willing to represent the Society during rental functions at Greenfield Hall. This involves being present during the event and checking to insure the well-being of the Hall and its collections, while being a part of a festive occasion. In short, a fun afternoon or evening and an important service to the Society!

Our library always welcomes assistance. Working with the collections is a fascinating and an educational experience. Familiarity with computers (the Society has both IBM and Macintosh systems) would be an added plus.

We are increasingly involved in community events. Volunteer support is needed to staff Greenfield Hall for these occasions. We will be open during the Fortnightly Antique Show on October 21 and 22. Maybe you'd like to "host" at Greenfield Hall for a few hours for this or other events.

There are many other opportunities to work behind the scenes. The Finance Committee prepares our annual budget and cares for the Society's investments; the Fund Raising group plans our major money-raising events, a critical area.

Membership not only keeps records, the group also attempts to initiate ways to attract new members. Publicity writes articles for the newspaper and publishes the *Bulletin*. Building and Grounds, Exhibits, Collections, Long Range Planning, Publications,

Trips, Interior Design - all of the committees have places for you

To paraphrase that famous poster, "The Historical Society needs **YOU**".

Call a committee chairman to offer your help or telephone the office at 429-7375 to find out how volunteering for the Society can add a wonderful new dimension to your life.

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COMMEMORATIVES

The commemorative committee has been peddling its wares recently. Thanks to Dianne Snodgrass, we sold our commemoratives and publications at the Village Fair in June. In July, through the efforts of Pat Lennon, Dinny Traver, Vivian Stauder, and Frank Demmerly, our table was well staffed at the Haddonfield Crafts and Fine Arts Festival on King's Highway. Sales at both events were good, contributing several hundred dollars in profits to the Society.

If you are not familiar with the publications and commemoratives we sell, we invite you to visit our display in Greenfield Hall. Many of our items are unique and all are reasonably priced. Remember, our members also receive a 10% discount.

All of our items make excellent gifts. They are always available in Greenfield Hall when the Society is open or by calling Myra Kain at home, 429-4224, for special orders.

PROGRAM ON THE CIVIL WAR

Our meeting on May 22 was enlivened by a program on the Civil War presented by Robert D. Comfort and his son, Adam. Bob, a recently elected member of our local school board, is an experienced litigator with a Philadelphia law firm as well as a Lecturer in Law at Rutgers and an Adjunct Professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Adam, a middle school student and an ice hockey player, developed his interest in the Civil War during a visit to Gettysburg when he was six years old. At present, Adam has visited nearly all the Civil War battlegrounds east of the Mississippi.

The program as presented by the Comforts focused on the 12th New Jersey Volunteers, the only regiment raised exclusively in South Jersey. Dorothy Thomas, a Society member, has written the following article about our afternoon program.

THE COMFORTS, FATHER AND SON, REMEMBER THE CIVIL WAR *by Dorothy Thomas*

It was with great interest that I read in the *May Bulletin* that Bob Comfort and his son, Adam, would speak at the general meeting about their hobby, researching facts about the 12th New Jersey Volunteers and their part in defending the North in the Civil War. These were 907 men (top strength) who comprised an infantry regiment made up of volunteers from Burlington, Camden, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem Counties. They were mustered in at Woodbury on September 4, 1862, expecting to serve three years.

Two of these men were my grandfather, John Kille, aged 20, and Joseph Kille, aged 22, my great-uncle. John survived the War, but Joseph was killed in the Battle of the Wilderness. When the South surrendered in 1865, the roster held only 426 names, less by almost half those who entered. Many were disabled, but 252 were deceased in battle or from disease.

These Southern New Jersey men who helped hold the Union together were engaged in thirty major battles for which they were to receive, if single, \$2 a month, or \$6 with a family or a widowed mother.

It did seem fitting to me that the Comforts were coming near Memorial Day to refresh our memories and stimulate gratitude for these South Jerseyans. And they did a fine job of tracing the marches, campsites, and battles of the 12th with charts and explanations. Adam was clad in typical dress parade uniform adding interest to the presentation.

The 12th New Jersey distinguished itself particularly at Gettysburg where it is easy to find the tall monument commemorating their inclusion. I was most fortunate to visit the site with my grandfather where he pointed out to his family the stone wall he lay against with his Springfield rifle helping to turn back the force of Pickett's Charge on the third day of the battle.

Proudly he showed us the barn nearby (still standing) where four companies of the 12th took out 90 rebel sharpshooters as prisoners, which, he notes in his diary, he helped deliver to the Provost Marshall. Pickett's Charge, occurring the next day, is often the centerpiece for movie reenactments of the Civil War. In his diary he relates how the "Rebs skedaddled" and how on the 4th of July they retrieved Confederate flags with only "sharpshooters popping" that day. On the 5th he is amazed at what he sees on the huge field as they all pitch in to gather guns and bury bodies.

John Kille (listed as Killy in one official list, while Joseph is listed as Kille) entered service from Harrison Township but lived most of his life in Clayton employed as a glassblower and town marshal. He felt the effects of the mini ball that entered his spine the day his brother was killed from the time it was removed until the day he died. That memorable battle, the Wilderness, named partly because it was near the Wilderness Tavern, found the soldiers trying to distinguish friend or foe in the heavy undergrowth of bush and bramble. The Kille brothers and other South Jerseyans had been very near there just a year before, in the Battle of Chancellorsville.

Some of the information in this article came from John Kille's diary; Frederick Jago's 32-page pamphlet published by Elmer Van Name in 1967; an *Inquirer* article about a 1920 reunion of the 12th; and an excerpt written about the men of the 12th in 1897, credited to Private William P. Haines, Mickleton, N. J.

Many thanks to Bob for such a wonderful afternoon. Adam, please keep the memory of the new Jersey Volunteers green!

Editor's note: Adam's interest in the Civil War is apparent on the next page where his article entitled *Uniforms of the Civil War* is included.

UNIFORMS OF THE CIVIL WAR *by Adam Comfort*

The American Civil War was in many ways the first modern war. It introduced the repeating rifle, primitive machine guns, and many new styles of combat, such as trench warfare. But, for a war of this brand new caliber, the uniforms worn by the average soldier were basically unchanged from earlier 19th century garb.

Until the Civil War, camouflage had not been needed. Because of the inaccuracy of the weapons in previous wars, combatants did not need to hide from their enemies. With the invention of the rifled musket, this concept of massing men to mass fire became obsolete and so did the old gaudy uniforms, although most did not realize it when the war began, hence the extraordinarily high rates of casualties.

Civil War uniforms are usually portrayed as blue and gray (blue for the Federal armies and gray for the Confederate men). This, however, was not the case early in the war. Many regiments copied the multi-colored French Zouave uniforms of Algiers. Others used the old gray militia uniforms with a tailed frock coat and tall shako hat, especially in northern regiments! Many Confederate units wore blue, like the Washington Artillery from New Orleans.

These diverse uniforms became exceedingly dangerous in early battles. At Manassas, Va., along the banks of Bull Run, a brigade advanced to support an artillery battery, which was firing on the Confederate line. J.E.B. Stuart, a colonel at that time, believed them to be an Alabama unit, similarly dressed, falling back. He rode out to meet them and noticed their Yankee flags. Seeing no other choice he charged his regiment of cavalry at them. The New Yorkers, unexperienced in battle, and unaccustomed to the shock power of cavalry, broke and ran.

The Battle of Bull Run had another such confusion. Griffen's Battery, named for its commander, was shelling Henry House Hill, the Confederate strong point. A regiment of blue-clad rebels moved toward their left flank. Major Griffen thought they were Federals because of their uniforms and their red, white, and blue standard, called the Stars and Bars. By the time he noticed that the rebels were presenting arms to fire on his guns, it was too late. Griffen and most of his command were killed.

The armies now knew that they would have to somehow standardize their uniforms. This would be hard for the poverty-stricken South. The Southern soldier wore only what his mother could spin: a coat of gray or butternut brown, a cap as shapeless as a feed bag, the trousers he had worn in civilian life, and his only, if any, pair of shoes. Some rich Southerners were able to buy the uniforms which are romantically linked to the South: the gray frock coat piped in yellow with braids of gold on the sleeve. These few often lost their uniforms. When they were killed or imprisoned, the enemy, or sometimes their comrades, would steal these fine goods.

The Union soldier, in accordance with the regulation uniform of 1863, had a blue bumper, gingham undershirt, blue wool sack coat, one pair of underwear, sky blue trousers, two pair of rough wool socks, one pair of stiff leather brogans, and a heavy wool overcoat for the winter which he usually threw away. The officer wore a kepi hat and frock coat of finer wool, so as to be distinguished from a common soldier. The typical Union Zouave wore a wool short jacket piped in red with scarlet braid on the front, a turban-like hat, a blue wool vest, and baggy red pantaloons.

Both sides had similar accoutrements and personal effects. And both had the same service regulation. Infantry uniforms would be piped in sky blue, cavalry in yellow, and artillery in red.

Some regiments became renowned for their performance in battle and the enemy could tell them by their uniforms, such as the Louisiana Tiger Zouaves' striped pantaloons, the Yankee Berdan sharpshooters' all green uniforms taken from the standard European sharpshooter uniform (was not used as camouflage), the 2nd Rhode Island's strangely tailored blouses and brown caps (designed by their former brigade commander, the one-time commanding general Ambrose Burnside), and the black ostrich-plumed hats of the Union "Iron Brigade." At Gettysburg, Confederate troops of Harry Heth's division declared, "Sir, we've run into those damned black hat fellers again."



By 1864, the Confederacy was declining, as was the use of the garish uniform. The Confederates had clothing in such tatters that it was joked that one hole in the seat of the pants indicated a captain, two holes a lieutenant, and the seat of the pants all out indicated a private. But still the uniform was not standardized. The personal touch was often seen in officers' uniforms. George Armstrong Custer wore a black velveteen coat to impress his men. Many officers traded their kepis for wide-brimmed hats, others bought new ones from sutlers who were following the armies. The men bought new weapons, headgear, and footwear, which were often made with cheap materials. One regiment bought new boots. When these boots wore out in one day, the regiment's colonel demanded an explanation. The sutler told him that the boots were for the cavalry. Another company bought caps that melted in the rain. Many scamming dealers were caught, tried, and imprisoned.

On April 9, 1865, Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered his Army of Northern Virginia to Gen. U. S. Grant. Though the war was not completely over, its major conflicts had ended. It, the first modern war, has been an example for other modern wars. It showed us that we needed new tactics for new weapons although the charge-and-die tactics did not change until after World War I. It also made apparent the need for long-lasting, more durable uniforms, camouflaged so as to conceal the wearer from the enemy. Although uniforms did not make a significant difference in the War Between the States, they are a fascinating part of its history.

QUAKERS AND THE EQUALITY OF THE SEXES

by Robert Lynch

In *The Taming of the Shrew*, Shakespeare has Petruchio say upon marrying Kate:

I will be master of what is mine own.
She is my goods, my chattels; she is my house,
My household stuff, my field, my barn,
My horse, my ox, my ass, my anything.

A few decades after Shakespeare wrote this declaration, another Englishman by the name of George Fox, after years of searching for enlightenment, discovered the spirit of "Christ Within." Other searchers for truth gathered around Fox and as a group they became known as the Religious Society of Friends or, more commonly, Quakers, a gathering of souls whose devotion centered around silent meditation on the Light within each of them.

Among the major tenets of the faith that set the Quakers apart from other religions in England at the time was their acceptance of the belief that all humans are equal, both those of different races and those of either sex. The Quaker William Penn wrote: There is no sex in the soul.

The Quaker enactment of the marriage ceremony illustrates their attitude toward the status of women. Petruchio called his bride "chattel." A part of most European marriage rituals then and in many marriages today is that of "giving away" the bride. Although this tradition may not symbolize such to modern brides, what it meant in times past was that one male, the father, was passing on his property to another male, her husband.

When Elizabeth Haddon married John Estaugh, perhaps after being the one to take the initiative of proposing, there was no giving away of the bride. Undoubtedly following the Quaker practices of her day and generally of today, it would be a simple wedding without music. No clergyman or clergywoman would preside, but due care would be taken that the lovers did not rush into marriage lightly. The Monthly Meeting would appoint Overseers to question the compatibility of the union, give support to the engaged couple as needed, and check that all legal requirements are satisfied. If the Overseers' report is favorable and approved by the Monthly Meeting, the date would be set and the wedding would proceed. The bride and groom enter the Meeting House together and each will say the vows to the other. Family and friends witness the ceremony and sign the wedding certificate.

The Quakers do not have seminaries or an ordained clergy. All Friends are in a sense ministers because every human has the Light within. This Light can be heard by anyone willing to listen. However, there are Quakers who have a special spiritual calling that leads them to become ministers; if their Monthly

Meeting agrees, they may be recorded as such and thereafter may travel far and wide in obedience to the special vocation the Spirit has given them.

John Estaugh was a Quaker who felt the need to minister. He died on a religious mission in Tortola, a West Indies island, far away from his home and wife in Haddonfield.



Home of Elizabeth and John Estaugh

Built in 1713, destroyed by fire in 1842

Equal in all things, the first women Quakers became ardent missionaries who, for their faith, went on exhausting, far flung, and often dangerous journeys. The first Quakers to reach America were women, one of whom was Mary Fisher who also traveled alone from Venice to Turkey in an attempt to get the sultan to see the light. She introduced herself as an ambassador from "the Most High God" and was received with respect by the potentate although she could not convince him to convert.

Mary Fisher was not so well received in New England where the Puritans considered the Quakers heretics and did not approve of any system that did not proclaim the male as head of the family and state. Mary Fisher managed to escape with her life but other missionaries to Massachusetts colony did not. Mary Evans, for instance, was sentenced to hang at Boston in October, 1659 for being a member of a "cursed band of heretics." At the foot of the scaffold Mary Evans said:

No ear can hear, no tongue can utter, and no heart
can understand the sweet incomes and refreshings
of the Spirit of the Lord which I now feel.

Two male Quaker comrades were put to death and Mary had the rope around her neck when, unable to scare her to death, the Puritans granted Mary a dramatic reprieve. But Mary Evans had a calling to minister in Massachusetts; she returned to Boston and nine months later the hangman had his way.

Most Quakers were not so enamored of martyrdom as Mary Evans. They were business people and farmers concerned with the just transaction of affairs and helping those in need. Many came to the new world to live their beliefs in freedom; most came

to Pennsylvania and New Jersey. John Haddon purchased land for such a purpose. When poor health did not allow him to come to America he did an extraordinary thing considering the culture of his time: he sent his daughter to manage the estates. Elizabeth Haddon wanted to come to the wilderness. She had a calling, she said, to establish a comfort zone for traveling Quaker missionaries and, with her knowledge of herbal medicine, to serve as a healer to the colonists and the native Americans.

Elizabeth made her plantation a success while her father lived in England and her husband was often absent in his religious work. She was not the only success in large-scale economic

OUR CARVED CHESSMEN

A 1971 gift to the Society is still bringing pleasure to visitors of Greenfield Hall. Hanging in the Victorian Room on the wall beside the keeping room door is an antique case. Inside is displayed a set of antique Chinese carved ivory chessmen.

The chessmen had been brought from Singapore by ship by Captain Dialogue of Camden. His granddaughter, Mary Dialogue of Haddonfield, inherited the set which was later acquired by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Powers Hynes, also of Haddonfield. Twenty-five years later, Mr. and Mrs. Hynes donated the set to the Society.

At the time of the donation, John F. Harbeson, a collector and authority on chess sets, described the exquisite pieces:

"These chessmen are of South Chinese (Cantonese) artisanship and date from before 1830 A.D. The white half represent the South Chinese monarchy and the red half the Manchus or North Chinese. The kings are 5 3/4 inches high, the queens 4 1/2 inches, with rooks, bishops, and knights varying from 4 to 3 inches".

We hope you'll give special attention to our chessmen on your next visit to Greenfield Hall.

COME DRIVE WITH US

It's a bit in the future but we hope you'll save Thursday, March 23, 1995 for a special treat!

We have reservations to see the Barnes Foundation's *Great French Paintings from Cézanne to Matisse* at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. This will be the last stop of the collection's famous international tour.

Our guided tour will include 80 of the finest French Impressionists, Post Impressionists, and Early Modern paintings ever assembled. We will also have the opportunity to view the newly-renovated 19th Century Galleries.

Cost of the tour is only \$20.00 with lunch in the Museum dining room at your expense. We will carpool from Wedgewood Swim Club promptly at 9:00 A.M. Guests are welcome but reservations are a necessity.

Please call Barbara Crane at 429-7929 for more information or to confirm. Your payment is due by February 24, 1995.

enterprise. As Margaret Hope Bacon writes in *Mother Feminism: The Story of Quaker Women in America*, Hannah L. William's second wife, for many years managed the affairs of Pennsylvania in order to see that Penn's idealistic promises to the colonists would be fulfilled.

As to the belief in the complete equality of the sexes, the Quakers, unlike Petruchio, were out of tune with their times. This allowed Elizabeth Haddon and other Quaker women to march to the beat of a different drummer.

The Quakers of today carry on and enjoy the faith and traditions of their forefathers and foremothers.

A HOLIDAY SAMPLER

We're in for a big treat. The Haddonfield Crafters will return to Greenfield Hall in November!

On the 16th of that month, from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M., the Crafters will present *A Holiday Sampler*, giving us the opportunity to enjoy their lovely handmade items and to get a head start on holiday gift buying. The \$1 donation collected at the door will benefit our Society.

All sorts of handcrafted articles will be on sale: bears, theorems, quilts, wall hangings, dried flowers, wreaths, cross-stitched pictures, jewelry, tole painting, Santas and other collectibles.

A highlight of the day will be a book-signing by Haddonfield illustrator, Robert Byrd. Come and meet the artist whose latest project is the new version of Hans Christian Andersen's classic, *The Emperor's Clothing*. This delightful book with its beautiful illustrations appeals to adults as well as children and will be treasured for many years.

Tell your friends about this special occasion and plan a pleasant "day out."

THANK YOU one and all from Nancy Burrough. Nancy reports that "the garage sale on June 4 was a huge success with record-breaking profits. We deeply appreciate all the help we had as well as all the wonderful donations from our members and their friends. With so much help, you made my job very easy and lots of fun."

LIBRARY NEWS

by Kathy Tassini

With the end of summer comes a return to normal hours for the Historical Society Library. We will reopen on the Tuesday after Labor Day and be open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 and the first Sunday of every month from 1 to 3 P.M.

A few recent conversations have made me aware of the fact that many people, both members and non-members, are unclear as to what types of materials we collect here in the library. I like to tell people that if they are thinking of throwing something out, consider giving it to either our library or to the Public Library. It is possible that we may agree and simply throw it away as you originally intended. It is also possible that it may be something which we feel will have future importance to local history and keep it.

Among the items we are always anxious to collect are pictures, maps, and deeds relating to homes and properties anywhere in Haddonfield. We have been working in cooperation with the Haddonfield Public Library toward creating a "house file" for every property. People are always looking for pictures of houses as they were when first built, especially if there have been extensive alterations. If you have a picture of a house with an original porch, for instance, which has been removed, we would like to have a copy of the picture.

In addition to house information, we are also interested in the residents of the town. What was it like to live in Haddonfield during the Depression? What was life like on the home front during World War II? What did various organizations do to assist and be active in those times? What happened to the records of various organizations which no longer exist but were once active in the community? Are they in your attic or basement? Would you consider giving them to the library so that they will be preserved for future generations?

If you think you have something which might be of interest or of future use to researchers, please stop by or give me a call so that we can consider adding your items to our collection.

1995 BUDGET APPROVED by Mike McMullen

The 1995 budget for the Society was approved by the Executive Board on July 13. The budget was jointly developed by the treasurer and committee chairmen and reviewed by the Finance Committee before being submitted to the Board for approval. I am pleased to announce that a balanced budget was presented after experiencing an operating deficit in fiscal year 1994.

The primary reasons for the improved financial picture include reduced expected maintenance expenses on Greenfield Hall and a continuation of a policy of no paid employees for the Society. While the Society remains well-capitalized, the Finance Committee will be working with the Long Range Planning Committee and Trustees to ensure continued Society fiscal soundness.

I would like to mention that as a "first timer" through this process, I was struck by the importance of our membership dues and fund raising activities to our financial stability. So, as you have heard from others, an active and growing membership is key to the Society's future success.

HISTORY AWARD

Andrew Eastwick has been presented with the second annual Historical Society of Haddonfield History Award. The award, a \$100 savings bond and an autographed copy of *Lost Haddonfield*, is given to the graduating senior from HMHS who has demonstrated an exceptional interest in and love for history.

Selection of the winner was made with the cooperation of Henry Silver, Social Studies Coordinator at the high school.

RENTALS by Cynthia Plucinski

Would you like to "attend" a wedding reception on September 24, October 15, or November 19? You won't be expected to bring a gift.

We'll be having receptions at Greenfield Hall on those dates and we desperately need "sitters". Many thanks go to our volunteers who have attended previous receptions, christenings, dinners, etc. To name a few, there are Debby Troemner, Viv Stauder, Mary Hilal, Helen Peitz, Lora King and Barbara Mellon Denesevich. Without their generous gift of time, we would not be able to offer Greenfield Hall for rentals. Please call me to offer to help on one of those days. I can be reached at 354-9640 or you can leave a message at Greenfield Hall, 429-7375.

If anyone has a romantic wedding or love story to tell, Ms. Margolis of the *Courier-Post* may be interested. She writes a bridal section and contacted us to write an article on one of "our" couples. She is always looking for a new story, so call her or drop her a note.

By the way, on that note, one evening in May, as we were showing Greenfield Hall to a prospective wedding couple, we came upon another young couple sitting on the back terrace sharing a bottle of champagne. We were more surprised than they! They explained that this night was their third wedding anniversary, that they had been married at Greenfield Hall, and that they return each year to the back terrace to share the champagne and remember that day the year before.

What a commercial!

LOOKING FORWARD

Be sure to mark your calendar for our busy season. All our activities are at Greenfield Hall unless otherwise noted.

SEPTEMBER

- 7.....Executive Board, home of Myra Kain;
co-host, Vivian Stauder, 7:45 P.M.
- 14.....Ornament workshop, 7:30 P.M.
- 24.....Wedding, Greenfield Hall closed
- 28.....General meeting and program with
Doug Rauschenberger, **The Life of
Joshua Evans**, 7:30 P.M.

OCTOBER

- 2.....Camden County Open House
Discovery Day at Greenfield Hall,
1:00 to 5:00 P.M. Theme: A Children's
Sampler. \$2 per adult; \$1 per child or
senior citizen at the door
- 5.....Executive Board, home of Ed and
Connie Reeves; co-host, Barbara
Mellon Denesevich, 7:45 P.M.
- 8 - 9.....**Teddy Bear Tea Party**, 2:00 P.M.,
\$10 for one adult and one child, \$4
for additional child, \$5 for additional
adult. Teddy Bears are free!
- 15.....Wedding, Greenfield Hall closed
- 21 - 22.....Haddon Fortnightly Antique Show,
Greenfield Hall open, 11:00 to 5:00
- 29.....Greenfield Hall - Markheim Art
Center **Pumpkin Carving and
Painting Contest**, 5:00 to 9:00, and
Haunted House, 6:00 to 9:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER

- 2.....Executive Board, home of Tom
Applegate; co-host, Dinny Traver,
7:45 P.M.
- 9.....General Meeting, Campbell Museum
Presentation, **Artistry in Tureens**,
7:30 P.M.
- 16.....Haddonfield Crafters present A
Holiday Sampler, 8:00 A.M. to
8:00 P.M., \$1 donation to Society
- 19.....Wedding, Greenfield Hall closed
- 24.....Happy Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 2.....**1894, After the Theater at Greenfield
Hall**, exhibit of Haddonfield
Garden Club, Members' Reception,
\$2 for guests, 7:30 P.M.
- 3 - 6.....Garden Club presentation at
Greenfield Hall for general public,
\$2 donation
- 7.....Executive Board, home of Mike
McMullen; co-host, Helene
Zimmer-Loew
- 10.....**Holly Festival**, 10 A.M. to 3 P.M.

* Happy Holidays!! *

MEMBERSHIP

Many thanks to all of you who renewed your memberships so quickly! To those of you who have forgotten or who have procrastinated, please mail your check and renewal form as soon as possible. We need the help of each one of you.

We are grateful to Jack Tarditi for allowing us to use his offices for a "telephone party" on the evening of August 2. Ed Reeves organized a group to contact most of those members who had not renewed for the new year. Patiently manning the telephones were: Francis Lax, Kathryn Febish, Becky Tarditi, Barbara Mellon Denesevich, Debbe Mervine, and Connie Reeves. Our thanks to those enthusiastic helpers.

A big welcome to our new members!

<i>Sharon Peterson</i>	<i>Kenneth Corson</i>	<i>Mary Forlenza</i>
<i>William J. Kelley</i>	<i>James Zinsky</i>	<i>Anne Marie McAdams</i>
<i>Sally Bird</i>	<i>Linda Brauer</i>	<i>Karen Dever</i>
<i>Ilene Lesiger</i>	<i>Suzanne Stoinski</i>	<i>Carole Speechley</i>
<i>Charlotte Marie Triestman</i>	<i>Mary Cahill</i>	
<i>William Lutz and Denise Gess</i>		
<i>Winnie and Paul Barattini</i>		

Contributing Members

<i>Louise Farr</i>	<i>Robert Lynch</i>	<i>Patricia Lennon</i>
<i>Hilda Q. Walton</i>	<i>John H. Reisner, III</i>	<i>Marguerite Rosner</i>
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<i>Carole Speechley</i>	<i>Francis Lax</i>	<i>Mr. and Mrs. James Walker</i>

Sustaining Members

<i>Helene Zimmer-Loew</i>	<i>Frederick S. Fox</i>
<i>Charles A. Gemberling</i>	

TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTIES

Our Victorian Tea Party last fall was such a success that we plan to repeat it this year. The special occasion for adults and children will be held in conjunction with an exhibit of teddy bears and other cuddly animals and toys.

This year **two** days have been set aside for Teddy Bear Tea Parties - Saturday, October 8 and Sunday, October 9, both afternoons in Greenfield Hall at 2:00.

The Tea Party presents an opportunity to dress up and bring your children, grandchildren and friends to enjoy a wonderful old tradition. After viewing the toy collection, you'll be served tea and lemonade, finger sandwiches and sweets. A reading of classic tea party stories will be held and each child will receive a gift as a remembrance of the visit.

Seating in our parlors is limited, so please return the form included in this issue before Friday, September 23. The cost of the Tea Party is \$10.00 for one adult and child, \$4.00 for each additional child. Teddy bears are admitted with no charge.



TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTY - A VICTORIAN TRADITION

We'll be attending the Tea Party on ____ Saturday, October 8 at 2:00 P.M., on ____ Sunday, October 9 at 2:00.

Names _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Adult and child @ \$10 _____

Additional children @ \$4 _____

Additional adult @ \$5 _____

Total enclosed \$ _____



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD

I (We) would like to join the Historical Society of Haddonfield. The type of membership desired is:

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|----------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| () Individual | \$ 20.00 | |
| () Household | 35.00 | (includes 2 adults and all children |
| () Contributing (per person) | 50.00 | living at same residence) |
| () Sustaining (per person) | 100.00 | |
| () Patron (per person) | 200.00 | |
| () Life Membership (per person) | 500.00 | |

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Telephone _____

Please mail each form to: The Historical Society of Haddonfield, Greenfield Hall, 343 King's Highway East
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

We are pleased to acknowledge with great appreciation the following gifts from members and friends:

Plastic coat hangers

Dinny Traver

Silhouette of Hannah Hopkins

Elizabeth D. Rhoads

Double silhouette of Clement Reeves and

Sarah Wood Reeves

Pink knit baby hat, blue knit legging set and mittens

Striped silk parasol, beaded bag, and white coverlet

Janet Birdsall

Hand embroidery on netting (2 pieces)

Doily storage frame with "H" cross stitch

Paperweight with picture of old Presbyterian Church

Robert Hires

1909 Haddonfield Athletic Association wool sweater

LOST AND FOUND

A tan sweater and a pair of eye glasses
were found after our garage
sale on June 4.
They may be claimed in the office
of Greenfield Hall.

We are grateful also for generous contributions from:

The Haddonfield Garden Club, Mrs. Rowan Pearce, Dinny Traver, and Ruby Oberst

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